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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56(a), 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby cites the following documents (copies enclosed) listed on the attached copy of Form PTO-1449, and requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Part 1: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with the paragraph of 37 CFR 1.97 checked below:

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- (3) Before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request on the merits; OR
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 - (2) A Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311; OR
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Part 2: Information Cited

- X_A. The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form. The order of preference of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.
 Further, none of the references describe or suggest the present invention.
- __B. The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application:

Part 3: Explanation of Non-English Language References

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form.

Part 4: Remarks

The following are remarks concerning the information cited:

Part 5: General

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form. It is respectfully requested that:

- The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- The enclosed form be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the U.S. Patent And Trademark during the examination of this application;
- 3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusion regarding the relevence of the cited information.

An early and favorable reply is hereby requested.

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